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OF THE TOWN OFFICERS

Sidney, Maine

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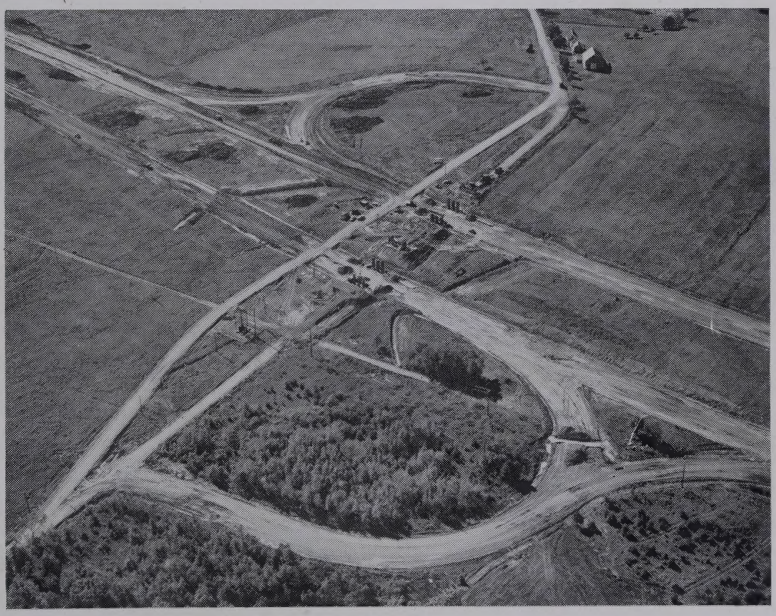

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TOWN OF SIDNEY

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS 1958-59

Moderator:

Horace Drummond, R.F.D. 1, Waterville

Town Clerk:

Mrs. Leola Graves, R.F.D. 3, Augusta

Selectmen, Overseers and Assessors:

Henry F. Bacon, R.F.D. 1, Oakland
Theodore H. Russell, R.F.D. 1, Waterville
George E. Potter, R.F.D. 1, Waterville

Treasurer and Tax Collector:

Miss Alice L. Hammond, R.F.D. 3, Augusta

Superintendent of Schools:

John McLeod, Tapley Building, Oakland

School Committee:

Theodore Russell, R.F.D. 1, Waterville
Priscilla Bacon, R.F.D. 1, Oakland
Evans B. Reid, R.F.D. 1, Waterville

Road Commissioner:

George E. Potter, R.F.D. 1, Waterville

Fire Ward:

C. Wilmot Gifford, R.F.D. 1, Oakland

Chiefs of Fire Departments:

Malcolm Philbrick, R.F.D. 3, Augusta
Robert McCormack, R.F.D. 1, Oakland
Russell Bragg, R.F.D. 1, Waterville

Budget Committee:

Otis Bacon, R.F.D. 1, Oakland
Francis Clark, R.F.D. 3, Augusta
C. Wilmot Gifford, R.F.D. 1, Oakland
Earland Goodhue, R.F.D. 1, Oakland
Lewis Johnson, R.F.D. 3, Augusta
Donald Kingsbury, R.FD. 1, Oakland
Carl Nielsen, R.F.D. 1, Waterville
Albert Taylor, R.F.D. 1, Waterville

Road Planning Committee:

Leslie Lathe, R.F.D. 3, Augusta (1954-1959)
Eldon Dyer, R.F.D. 3, Augusta (1955-1960)
William W. Cowan, R.F.D. 1, Oakland (1956-1961)
Carl Nielsen, R.F.D. 1, Waterville (1957-1962)
Andrew Clark, R.F.D. 3, Augusta (1958-1963)

Memorial Day:

Mrs. Velina Ellis, R.F.D. 3, Augusta

Town Fair Committee:

Theodore Russell, R.F.D. 1, Waterville, Pres.
Chester Partridge, R.F.D. 3, Augusta, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. Mary Philbrick, R.F.D. 3, Augusta, Secretary
Morrill Burton, R.F.D. 3, Augusta, Treasurer

APPOINTMENTS

Planning Board:

Joseph Blaisdell, Chairman (1958-1959)
Otis Bacon (1958-1960)
Dean Bailey (1958-1961)
Albert Taylor (1958-1962)
William Bean (1958-1963)
Horace Drummond (Assoc.) (1958-1963)
Carl Nielsen (Assoc.) (1958-1963)

Ballot Clerks:

Alonzo B. Davis, R.F.D. 1, Waterville
Ray E. Philbrick, R.F.D. 3, Augusta
F. B. Barnard, R.F.D. 3, Augusta
Storer F. Tanner, R.F.D. 3, Augusta

Civil Defense Director:

Mrs. Velina D. Ellis, R.F.D. 3, Augusta

Constables:

William W. Cowan, R.F.D. 1, Oakland
C. Malcolm Philbrick, R.F.D. 3, Augusta
Robert McCormack, R.F.D. 1, Oakland

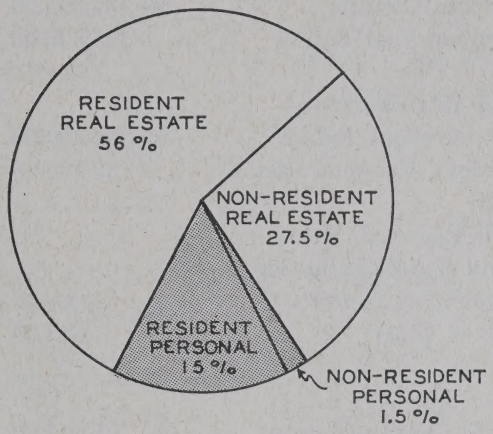
Health Officer:

Mrs. Grace Tanner, R.N., R.F.D. 3, Augusta (1958-61)

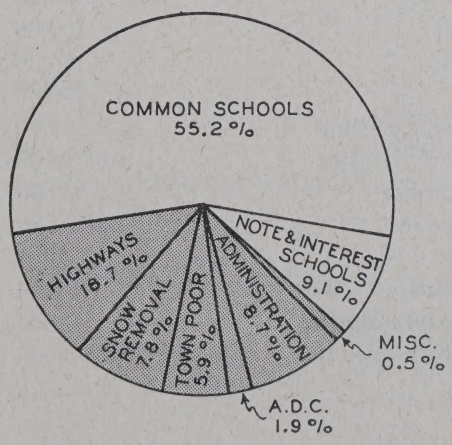
Pound Keeper:

Roland Philbrick, R.F.D. 3, Augusta

VALUATION - $2,025,410



APPROPRIATIONS - $51,566



ASSESSORS' REPORT

VALUATION AND TAX

Resident Real Estate	$1,136,090.00	
Non-Resident Real Estate	555,630.00	
Total Real Estate		$1,691,720.00
Resident Personal Estate	$ 303,590.00	
Non-Resident Personal Estate	30,100.00	
Total Personal Estate		$ 333,690.00
Grand Total Valuation		$2,025,410.00
Tax on above at 26 mills	$ 52,660.66	
216 Polls at $3.00	648.00	
		$ 53,308.66
Total Town Appropriations	$ 51,566.00	
County Tax	1,274.00	
Overlay	468.66	
		$ 53,308.66

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS

Town Administration	$ 4,500.00	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,000.00	
Support of Poor	3,000.00	
Health Nurse	100.00	
Memorial Day	25.00	
Town Fair	100.00	
State Aid Construction	2,132.00	
Highways and Bridges	3,000.00	
Winter Highways	4,000.00	
Common Schools	28,274.00	
Civil Defense	50.00	
Calcium Chloride	500.00	
School Seats and Desks	200.00	
Note and Interest, J. H. Bean School	4,685.00	
		$ 51,566.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY ASSESSED IN 1958

	No.	Value
Taxable Neat Cattle		
Bulls, cows, beef, etc.	1,397	$102,990.00
Domestic Fowl	178,890	125,920.00
Other taxable live stock		
Horses, sheep, swine, etc.		3,250.00
Total Amount		$232,160.00

VALUE OF PROPERTY NOT ASSESSED

Town property not used for municipal purposes	$ 4,535.00	
Property of exempt veterans, their widows and minor children	40,710.00	
Property of others exempt by law	49,900.00	
		$ 95,145.00

EXEMPT LIVESTOCK

	No.	Value
Cattle 18 months and younger	385	$ 7,700.00

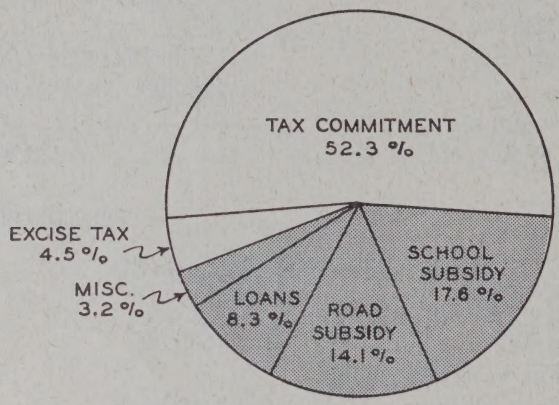
ALL OTHER KINDS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in trade	$11,880.00	
Industrial stock	600.00	
Machinery and equipment	35,040.00	
Wood, lumber and logs	2,000.00	
Furniture, fixtures, etc.	36,660.00	
Other kinds of taxable personal property	15,350.00	
		$101,530.00

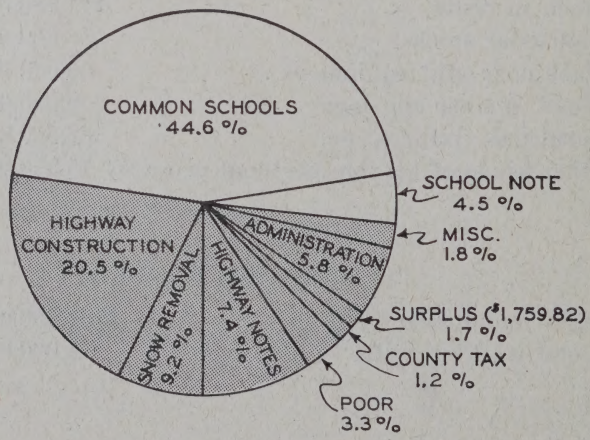
INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY

Light and Power Co.	$153,580.00	
Wood working mills	1,000.00	
		$154,580.00

REVENUE - $104,041.46



EXPENDITURES - $102,281.64



SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The past year has seen the start of the Interstate Highway in Sidney. We feel that Sidney is fortunate in having access to this road, and in future years it may prove to be very beneficial to the town.

We wish to thank the contractors on the Interstate Highway for their participation in our special road projects and feel it will be beneficial to all concerned.

Although this year's appropriation was the largest the town has ever had, it was possible to reduce the tax rate from 27 mills to 26 mills, because of the increase in valuation, due mostly from the expansion of the poultry industry.

It is our wish and belief that the Middle Road state aid construction can be completed this coming year.

By request from the State Department of Taxation, Sidney was asked to participate in the annual school for tax assessors in New Brunswick, and explain how a small town made its own tax maps.

The income from the generous gift of stock from the Summers Fertilizer Co., given us by Mr. Totman, is being applied to the school debt, as shown later in the report.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the citizens of the town who have supported our efforts.

HENRY F. BACON

THEODORE RUSSELL

GEORGE E. POTTER

SELECTMEN'S FINANCIAL REPORT

TOWN ADMINISTRATION

Expenditures

Salaries:		
Henry F. Bacon, First Selectman	$ 900.00	
Theodore H. Russell, Second Selectman	650.00	
George E. Potter, Third Selectman	650.00	
Alice L. Hammond, Treasurer and Collector	650.00	
Leola Graves, Town Clerk	150.00	
Theodore H. Russell, School Board	50.00	
Priscilla P. Bacon, School Board	50.00	
Evans Reid, School Board	50.00	
William W. Cowan, Constable	82.00	
Storer F. Tanner, Ballot Clerk	24.00	
Bigelow Barnard, Ballot Clerk	24.00	
Alonzo B. Davis, Ballot Clerk	24.00	
Ray Philbrick, Ballot Clerk	24.00	
Joseph E. Blaisdell, Selectman	50.00	
Charles Booker, Sealer of weights and measures	15.00	
		$ 3,393.00

Miscellaneous Expenditures

Insurance	$ 296.68
Printing	449.30
Tax Liens	86.00
Interest	459.49
Miscellaneous	650.84
Office Supplies	251.71
Audit	175.00
Telephone	71.20
Treasurer's Bond	25.00

Janitor	4.00	
Schoolhouse Injunction	217.50	
		$ 2,686.72

Receipts

Appropriation	$ 4,500.00	
Transferred from cash on hand	500.00	
Bank stock tax	124.04	
R. R. and Telephone tax	15.00	
Porcupine bounty reimbursement	6.00	
Licenses	12.00	
Blueberries	35.00	
Hambleton Ins. Agency refund	161.71	
Eastern States Exchange	5.16	
Interest and costs	218.98	
Sale of town property	1,005.00	
Storer Tanner, schoolhouse	100.00	
Francis Clark, auction proceeds	490.00	
Sidney Grange	8.50	
Expended		$ 6,079.72
Balance		1,101.67
		$ 7,181.39

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Expended	$ 36.89	
Unexpended	13.11	
	$ 50.00	$ 50.00

FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Transferred from Excise Tax		$ 900.00
Paid to Volunteer Fire Departments	$ 825.00	
Paid to Sidney Tel. Co., fire calls	75.00	
	$ 900.00	$ 900.00

COUNTY TAX

Assessed		$ 1,274.00
Paid to County Treasurer	$ 1,274.00	
	$ 1,274.00	$ 1,274.00

OVERLAY

Assessed		$ 468.66
Transferred to General Cash	$ 468.66	
	$ 468.66	$ 468.66

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Expended	$ 23.00	
Unexpended	2.00	
	$ 25.00	$ 25.00

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Appropriation		$ 100.00
Paid to State Treasurer	$ 100.00	
	$ 100.00	$ 100.00

TOWN FAIR

Appropriation		$ 100.00
Paid to Fair Treasurer	$ 100.00	
	$ 100.00	$ 100.00

CALCIUM CHLORIDE

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Expended	$ 488.98	
Unexpended	11.02	
	$ 500.00	$ 500.00

DRUMMOND & TOWN FARM ROAD CULVERTS

Transferred from General Cash		$ 1,800.00
Balance due Depositors Trust Co.		1,000.00
Expended	$ 2,743.69	
Unexpended	56.31	
	$ 2,800.00	$ 2,800.00

TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND

Received from State Treasurer		$ 5,537.61
Expended	$ 5,538.49	
Overdrawn		.88
	$ 5,538.49	$ 5,538.49

ROAD PLANNING BOARD FUND

From Excise Tax		$ 2,000.00
Expended	$ 1,977.53	
Unexpended	22.47	
	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Paid to State Treasurer	$ 824.28	
Unexpended	175.72	
	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Expended	$ 2,901.62	
Unexpended	98.38	
	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00

WINTER HIGHWAYS

Balance forward		$ 74.99
Appropriation		4,000.00
Transferred from cash on hand		2,000.00
State Treasurer		3,580.20
Expended	$ 9,506.40	
Unexpended	148.79	
	$ 9,655.19	$ 9,655.19

TOWN POOR

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Receipts		247.95
Case No. 1	$ 586.07	
2	363.00	
3	239.48	
4	142.40	
5	584.00	
6	198.25	
7	15.00	
Veteran's case	135.78	
	2,263.98	
Unexpended	983.97	
	$ 3,247.95	$ 3,247.95

STATE AID NUMBER ONE SUMMARY

Balance due Depositors Trust Co.	$ 7,675.00	
Expended 1958	7,673.33	
Unexpended	1.87	
	$15,350.20	
Appropriation		$ 2,132.00
Received from State Treasurer		5,543.20
Loan Depositors Trust Co.		7,675.00
		$15,350.20

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS

Case No. 1	$ 59.00	
Case No. 2	14.92	
Received from Augusta		$ 73.92
Case No. 3	117.66	
Received from Town of Lincoln		117.66
Case No. 4	39.96	
Received from Town of Readfield		39.96
	$ 231.54	$ 231.54

ROAD PLANNING COMMITTEE

	Allotted	Expended
Blake Road to John Ernst	$ 800.00	$ 928.48
Lyon Road, ditch west of Carl Nielsen's	125.00	85.15
Mills Road	600.00	630.80
Quaker Road north of Goddard Hill	475.00	333.10
Total		1,977.53
Unexpended		22.47
Total Appropriation	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00

REPORT OF ZONING COMMITTEE

The Zoning Committee held several meetings to draw up zoning recommendations for the town. The services of the Maine Development Commission and the Maine Municipal Association were secured to assist the committee. The proposals were drafted according to the advice of these agencies. The results of the study were submitted to the voters at a special town meeting where they were defeated.

HORACE DRUMMOND

OTIS BACON

ALBERT TAYLOR

CARL NIELSEN

JOSEPH BLAISDELL

WILLIAM BEAN

DEAN BAILEY

FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Lakeshore Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

To the Citizens and Selectmen of Sidney:

The Lakeshore Volunteer Fire Department responded to 11 calls during the year ending January 31, 1959.

We received $275.00 from the Town Appropriation.

Expenditures

Insurance on truck and building	$ 78.51	
Lights	33.78	
Heat	97.76	
Truck Expense — Repairs and Fuel	33.76	
Scott Air Pak Smoke Mask	169.00	
Total		$ 412.81

At present we are having a Fire Siren installed which we hope to have in operation shortly.

I wish to thank the townspeople and members for their help.

ROBERT McCORMACK

Chief, L. V. F. D.

Center Sidney Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

The Center Sidney Volunteer Fire Department responded to 9 calls during the year ending January 31, 1959.

Expenditures

Equipment for Fire Truck, Indian Pumps, and Hose		$ 149.10
Lights	$ 24.72	
Insurance	23.71	

Oil		92.78	
Miscellaneous Expenses		15.00	
Operating Expenses			156.21
Total Expended			305.31
Cash on hand February 1, 1958	$	56.07	
Received from Town		275.00	
Available cash	$	331.07	
Expenses for 1958		305.31	
Cash on Hand January 31, 1959			$ 26.76

Respectfully submitted,

M. C. PHILBRICK

Fire Chief

West River Road Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

Calls answered	5
Loads water hauled	3
Cisterns pumped out	3

The forestry pump was repaired and 100 feet of hose purchased.

The Ladies' Auxiliary had several money making projects during the year. They also purchased 3 dozen folding chairs for the fire house.

Respectfully submitted,

RUSSELL BRAGG, Chief.

ANNUAL REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING FOR THE TOWN OF SIDNEY

For the Year Ending December 31, 1958

The following quotation aptly expresses the progress of Public Health Nursing in Sidney:

> "Coming together is beginning
> Keeping together is progress,
> Working together is success."

In 1958, 15 nursing days were spent in your town. The Child Health Conference service plus the steadily increased school health program makes continuous health supervision available to all children, from infancy on.

This year, with the services of a school physician, our program included physical examinations, urinalysis, immunizations, hearing tests, and tuberculin testing. On the basis of selected grades each child will have this complete service three times during his school years.

Home visiting has been continued on a health supervision basis to all age groups.

The Health Council members continue to give many hours of free service to your community, and richly deserve our thanks and appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

EUNICE S. NOLLET

Public Health Nurse

CIVIL DEFENSE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

There has been participation in all National and State alerts.

The First Aid unit has been very busy this year, manned by two teams that have given several demonstrations, and used at all public gatherings.

The Geiger Counters have been checked and found correct.

Fire drills and Civil Defense Alerts have been held at James H. Bean School.

The mission of Civil Defense and Public Safety is the preservation of lives and property, before, during and after any disaster; either enemy incurred or natural.

In order to be able to do this, we must have a working organization in every town and community in our County, State and Federal governments so that we are prepared to teach the people of our cities and towns how to take care of themselves and others should a disaster occur.

This does not mean we should be prepared in case of a war, but for any disaster.

We have had and can expect to have disasters caused by fire, flood, tornados, hurricanes and many others.

In order to teach our people what to do in case of any disaster we should through Civil Defense organizations in the towns set up:

1. Red Cross First Aid
2. Home Nursing
3. Encourage every family to set up a "Grandma's Pantry"
4. Home Census and Warden Survey
5. Auxiliary Fire and Police groups "trained"
6. Warden Service
7. Radiological Team

Respectfully submitted,

VELINA D. ELLIS

Director

REPORT OF SIDNEY TOWN FAIR ASSOCIATION, INC.

Pursuant to the vote of the town at the last town meeting, the directors of the Sidney Town Fair Association proceeded to incorporate as a charitable non-profit organization. The directors elected for the year 1958 were as follows:

Leslie Lathe	4 year term
William Bean	4 year term
William Cowan	4 year term
Theodore Russell	3 year term
Robert McCormick	3 year term
George Potter	3 year term
Clarence Philbrick	2 year term
Pauline Tibbetts	2 year term
Priscilla Bacon	2 year term
Chester Partridge	1 year term
Donald Kingsbury	1 year term
Morrill Burton	1 year term

The officers elected by the directors were:

President	Leslie Lathe
Vice-President	Clarence Philbrick
Secretary-Treasurer	Theodore Russell

On September 12 and 13 was held what we felt was a very successful fair. We had approximately 100 head of cattle of all major breeds and a pretty large midway. A talent show on Friday evening and a dance on Saturday evening were both well attended. We expended a total of $1,739.40 in premiums. A tractor pulling contest drew an excellent crowd as did the horse pulling contest. There were 88 4-H exhibits and 98 adult exhibits in the hall.

At the annual meeting held in November, the following were elected to a 4 year term as directors: George Potter, Morrill

Burton, and Mrs. Mary Philbrick. The directors then elected officers for the coming year as follows: President, Theodore Russell; Vice President, Chester Partridge; Secretary, Mrs. Mary Philbrick; Treasurer, Morrill Burton.

Plans are now being made for an even bigger and better fair for next year. A tentative date of August 28, 29, and 30 has been selected. We are planning on a Gymkhana horse show on the 30th and hope to keep the cattle at the show for the 28th and 29th, with both adult and 4-H exhibits in the hall both days. If possible, we want to have oxen pulling in the evening of the 28th.

We are currently engaged in a drive to sell life memberships in the organization at $5.00 per membership. This membership entitles the holder to a vote at the annual meeting and free admittance to the grounds on all fair dates in the future.

Following this report the bylaws of the Sidney Town Fair Association, Inc., are published, so all may be familiar with them. We would like every citizen of the town to become a member of the organization and, if you are a member or not, I am sure any suggestions you might have that would make our fair a better fair would be greatly received. On behalf of the directors I should like to thank all the members and townspeople who helped make our last fair such a success.

Thank you,

THEODORE RUSSELL

SIDNEY TOWN FAIR ASSOCIATION
OBJECT OF CORPORATION

The promotion of Agricultural and Horticultural pursuits and the Arts connected therewith and the owning and holding of property, both real and personal, together with all the appurtenances for the proper production and development of the same.

BY-LAWS OF THE SIDNEY TOWN FAIR ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED, OF SIDNEY, MAINE

Art. 1. The name of the Association shall be the 'Sidney Town Fair Association' of Sidney, Maine.

Art. 2. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held on the First Monday in November at the Sidney Town Hall. Seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any such meeting but a less number may adjourn the meeting from time to time.

Art. 3. The officers of the Association shall be elected by the board of directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of 12 members elected by ballot at the annual meetings thereof and shall be elected three each year to serve 4 year terms, except the first year 3 members shall be elected to a one year term, 3 members shall be elected to a two year term, 3 members shall be elected to a three year term, and 3 members shall be elected to a full 4 year term.

Art. 4. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association. He shall put all questions from the chair, declare votes, and superintend the transactions of any and all business at any legally called meetings of the Association and shall, when so requested, call special meetings of the Association by giving notice of the time and place of such meetings to the Secretary.

Art. 5. The Vice President shall preside at all meetings of the Association in the absence of the President and shall perform all the duties incumbent upon the President.

Art. 6. The Secretary shall keep a true and careful record of the business transactions of the Association. He shall make report to the Association at any meeting of the Association when called upon so to do, and his books and records shall be open to the inspection of any Director of the Association at any time. He shall call special meetings of the Association when requested so to do by the President by due notification of all members at least seven days prior to the date of the meeting giving notice of the time and place of said meeting. He shall conduct the correspondence of the Association under the direction of the President.

Art. 7. The Treasurer shall keep a true and correct account of the receipts and expenditures of the Association, pay all bills of the Association, collect all moneys due the Association retaining vouchers for the same, make a detailed and itemized statement of the financial affairs of the Association and present the same at any meeting thereof when called upon so to do, and his books and records shall be open to inspection of any Director of the Association at any and all times.

Art. 8. The Board of Directors of the Association shall superintend and direct all the business affairs of the Association, and adopt improved methods of agriculture and all agricultural interests, appoint such committees as they shall deem necessary for the interest of the Association, fill all vacancies caused by death or of resignation, incapacity or removal, audit the Treasurer's accounts, appoint a time for holding the annual Show and Fair of the Association, and make such report of their doings at such time as they shall be called upon so to do.

Art. 9. Any citizen of Maine may become a member of the Association by invitation of the Board of Directors.

Art. 10. At any regular or special meeting of the Association when there is not a quorum of members of the association present, such members as are present at such meeting may declare the meeting adjourned from time to time till a quorum of such members is present when all business coming properly before the first called meeting shall be acted upon.

Art. 11. The by-laws and regulations of the Association may be amended at any regular meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose by a majority vote of those present at such meeting and new by-laws may be added from time to time at any such meeting.

Art. 12. If for any reason the President fails to call any meeting, a majority of the Directors may call such meeting.

SIDNEY TOWN FAIR ASSOCIATION, INC.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance February 10, 1958		$ 417.70	
Received			
From the Town	$ 100.00		
Entry fees—horse pulling	30.00		
Entry fees—other	15.00		
Gate receipts	208.36		
Other receipts	659.30		
Sale of Life Memberships	35.00		
Loan from Depositors Trust Co.	900.00		
Total receipts		1,947.66	
Total			$ 2,365.36

Expended

Expended in improvements	$ 78.09	
Operating expenses of fair	466.71	
Premiums paid	1,750.40	
Bank service charges	5.49	
Interest	13.50	
Total expended		2,314.19
Balance on hand February 10, 1959		$ 51.17

We should receive our share of the State Stipend about February 25 and this should amount to about $1,100.00. $900.00 of this will be used to pay off the loan from the Depositors Trust Co. The balance, added to the balance we currently have on hand, will be what we have to start the next fair with.

Respectfully submitted,

MORRILL BURTON

Treasurer

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

It is a pleasure to report to the Town of Sidney that the Hot Lunch Program sponsored by the Parent Teacher's Club is having another good year.

Much credit is due Mrs. Velina D. Ellis and Mrs. Pearl F. Tracy for the success of this program.

Even with the rising cost of food, we must keep the price of the lunch at .25 per meal to comply with state regulations.

This year we are also paying social security for the kitchen help.

We have the family plan again this year whereby any family with five or more children pay only five dollars per week. Other families with one through four children pay at the rate one dollar and twenty-five cents per child per week. We are giving about ten percent free lunches. This being a stipulation for receiving federal government surplus commodities.

We are always happy to have parents and interested townspeople visit our fine kitchen.

I wish to thank all those who have donated vegetables to the hot lunch program. They were very much appreciated.

PRISCILLA BACON

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

Financial Report

Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1958		$ 249.55
Rec'd Children & Teachers	$3,055.78	
State Subsidy	357.22	
		$3,662.55

Paid Out

Food	$2,555.69	
Labor	921.84	
Transportation, Social Security, etc.	175.06	
	$3,652.59	
Balance, Feb. 1, 1959		$ 9.96
Due from State for December and January Subsidy		191.85
Storeroom Inventory, February 1		799.49

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and Citizens of Sidney:

The enrollment at the James H. Bean School currently totals 199 students which represents an increase of ten students over last year. Overcrowded conditions in several of the classrooms is our primary problem. This condition is clearly revealed in the listing below showing the grades taught by each teacher and the number of students in each classroom.

Teacher	Grades Taught	Number of Students
Mrs. Sturtevant	Jr. Primary	27
Mrs. Welch	Grades 1 & 2	30
Mrs. Kidwell, Prin.	Grades 2 & 3	35
Mrs. Turner	Grades 4 & 5	35
Mrs. Goff	Grades 5 & 6	40
Mrs. Willis	Grades 7 & 8	32
Total		199

We have tried to have fewer students per teacher in the primary grades because of the importance of teaching beginning reading skills. A lot of teaching at this level is done in small groups, and these students require more individual attention than older students. When there are more than 30 students in a classroom at any grade level, it is difficult for a teacher to adequately meet the needs of all students. Further evidence pointing out the need for smaller classes can be found in the foundation program as set forth in the Sinclair Law which stipulates that one teacher should be employed for each 30 elementary students.

The total enrollment will be still larger next fall because sixteen students should complete the 8th grade in June and twenty-five are expected to register for the junior primary class next fall. To correct this situation, a provision has been

made in this year's budget to employ a seventh teacher next fall. We would like to employ a man to teach in the upper grades. This new teacher would also be asked to serve as principal because Mrs. Kidwell has requested that she be relieved of these duties at the close of this school year.

Having an additional teacher will make it necessary to convert half of the all-purpose room into a classroom. This will involve installing a temporary partition, blackboard, and a bulletin board. Other items that will be needed are a teacher's desk, closet and coat rack.

We were very sorry to receive a resignation from Mrs. Alice Reynolds last summer. We were fortunate to be able to employ Mrs. Welch to succeed Mrs. Reynolds. Mrs. Welch has studied at Farmington State Teachers College and has taken extension courses from Harvard and Colby Colleges. She has had previous teaching experience at Gray, Maine.

Sidney teachers have taken an active interest in professional improvement this past year. All of the teachers recently participated in a workshop held in Oakland devoted to improving our teaching of study skills. Several of the teachers have taken college extension courses also.

Two additions to the school program this year have been the appointment of a school physician and formal instruction in music. Dr. Richard Fallon of Augusta has served as school physician and has developed a more active health program. Music instruction via television has been available this year. On Tuesday afternoons, a half hour program is devoted to music instruction for students in the primary grades, and a half hour program on Thursday afternoons provides music instruction for the upper grades.

It has been necessary to increase several items in the school budget. The largest single increase is for teachers' salaries

which amounts to about $3200 over last year. Over half of this increase is due to planning for an extra teacher next fall. Part of the salary increases are necessary to meet the requirements of the State Minimum Salary Law. Although our teachers have received salary increases in recent years, Sidney still represents one of the lower paying towns in Maine. When a teacher resigns, it is extremely difficult to find a replacement at the salary we can offer.

Other items in the budget that have been considerably increased are tuition, conveyance, textbooks and teaching supplies. Tuition charges are expected to be more than $2500 over last year, due to more students attending high school and higher tuition rates. A higher pay scale has been authorized for the bus drivers to enable them to purchase more up-to-date equipment. New series of textbooks have been initiated in several subject areas. Additional funds are being sought this year to replace several sets of outdated textbooks.

One feature of the Sinclair Law is to define a foundation program in terms of the amount of money necessary for a town to spend in order to maintain a minimum educational program. Expenditures for operating the schools in Sidney during the 1956 and 1957 fiscal years was at the rate of 84.6% of the foundation program. As a result of this, the State will pay only 84.6% of the subsidy allotted to Sidney this year. The original subsidy allotment is $24,610, but Sidney will receive 84.6% of this amount or $20,820.00.

Reference was made in last year's report to the possibility of forming a new school district under the provisions of the Sinclair Law. Citizens from the towns of Sidney, Smithfield, Belgrade and Oakland have formed committees to study this possibility. The committees have been organized to study the following areas: school enrollments, curriculum, conveyance, school building needs, and school finances. The Committee studying enrollments has completed its work and has sub-

mitted a report. Their study shows that the proposed district would include about 1100 elementary and 360 high school students. The work of the curriculum committee should be completed in the near future, and then the committees on conveyance and school building needs will start their work. When all of these committee reports have been compiled, the finance committee will make a study to determine the cost of operating the schools within the framework of a new district.

The Sinclair Law provides financial incentives for towns to form new districts. This is in the form of a 10% subsidy bonus; the State will also subsidize the cost of any new school construction for towns forming a new district. At the current session of the State legislature, several amendments to the Sinclair Law have been proposed. The action the legislature will take concerning these amendments should be of special interest to the citizens of Sidney.

Once again we are indebted to the Sidney PTC for their generous support this past year. The television set and a tape recorder were donated to the school by the PTC. Also, the PTC made a sizable donation to the Building Committee which was used to pay for grading on the school grounds last summer.

In conclusion, I would like to express my appreciation to the citizens of Sidney for their cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. MacLEOD

Supt. of Schools

SIDNEY SCHOOL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

School Maintenance Account

Receipts

Balance forward	$ 1,406.55
Appropriations	28,274.00

State Subsidy	18,260.00	
State Subsidy—Prof. Credits	50.00	
Dr. Edmund Ervin—Tuition	74.00	
State of Maine—Tuition for State ward	104.21	
Sidney P. T. C.	133.00	
Lakeshore Volunteer Fire Dept.	5.00	
Sidney Teachers Club	5.00	
F. A. Owen Publishing Co.	3.57	
Pawtucket Mutual Ins. Co.	21.49	
Total Receipts		$48,336.82

Expenditures

Instruction	$14,828.12	
Conveyance	7,965.20	
Fuel	1,355.84	
Janitor	1,806.00	
Textbooks	1,134.29	
Supplies	772.96	
Utilities	644.37	
Equipment	236.32	
Tuition	16,573.02	
Insurance	444.38	
School Physician	100.00	
Superintendent	483.42	
Totals		46,343.92
Balance		$ 1,992.90

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Seats and Desks

Appropriation	$ 200.00
Expenditures	195.74
Balance	$ 4.26

Repairs

Balance Forwarded		$ 7.70
Expenditures		2.00
Balance		$ 5.70

SCHOOL BUILDING FUND

Balance forward		$ 269.86
Expenditures	$ 269.86	
	$ 269.86	$ 269.86

SCHOOL GRADING FUND

Town appropriation		$ 300.00
Expenditures	$ 290.63	
Unexpended	9.37	
	$ 300.00	$ 300.00

SIDNEY PARENT-TEACHERS CLUB

The P. T. C. sponsored many projects in 1958 and had very interesting speakers at their meetings. There were Mrs. Hazel Warren, executive secretary for the Kennebec Valley T. B. and Health Association; Clyde Russell, executive secretary of the Maine Teachers Association; Ralph Waning, from the Soil Conservation Department; Attorney George Hunt for the Parent-Teachers Association; Diana Norman, on her 4-H trip to Washington, D. C.; Richard Goodhue, the boy we sponsored to Boys' State at the U. of Maine, and Mrs. Margaret Pattershall, elementary consultant for the Department of Education. All in all, we gleaned some valuable information as well as working on the many projects.

P. T. C. Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1958	$ 202.72	
Valentine Cabaret	83.05	
Series of weekly dances	265.00	
Series of weekly card parties	156.36	
Annual 4th of July chicken barbecue	386.65	
Barbecue for Tree Farmers	312.00	
Assisted with barbecue at Smithfield	125.75	
Assisted with barbecue at Maine Breeding Cooperative	40.00	
Sidney Day donation New England Music Camp	94.16	
Dinner for Road Hearing at Grange Hall	29.02	
		$ 1,694.71

P. T. C. Expenditures

TV set, tape recorder and installation	$ 352.56
Folding stage, labor and material	145.00
Grading school grounds	243.10
Sidney Health Council	25.00
Sponsored boy to Boys' State	35.00

Material for chorus capes	15.00	
Material for 8th Grade corsages and boutonnieres	2.61	
Rex-O-Graf ($198.00, paid $126.28 in 1957)	71.72	
		$ 1,092.99
Balance on hand January 1, 1959		$ 601.72

President, THEODORE RUSSELL

1st Vice-president, DOROTHY WILLIS

2nd Vice-president, DONALD KINGSBURY

Secretary, DRUSILLA SMITH

Treasurer, HELEN GOODHUE

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

VITAL STATISTICS

Number of Births: 10 Number of Marriages: 12

The following list includes the names of residents and non-residents who have died in Sidney, also deaths from other localities to the place of residence, birth or burial.

Deaths: 26

1958		
Feb. 26	Richard Joseph Ayotte	age 51
Mar. 4	Robert Milton Safford	age 67
Mar. 25	Leigh Parker	age 72
Mar. 31	Willis Raymond Collins	age 83
Apr. 20	Angelique Derosby	age 96
Apr. 30	Theo Lorraine Hughes	age 43
May 14	Mabel W. Capen	age 79
June 13	Marline Dianne George	age 18
June 20	Henry Franklin Totman	age 85
June 26	Reta Beverly Williams	age 40
June 28	James Richard Peters	age 79
July 21	Lena Pierce Cowan	age 82
Aug. 16	Fred A. Cyr	age 85
Sept. 21	Phyllis Elizabeth Capen	age 51
Sept. 25	Joseph (Vigue) Veilleux	age 72
Oct. 13	Irene Jones Tillson	age 83
Oct. 17	Una Ora Mitchell	age 60
Nov. 2	Fannie R. McTaggart	age 97
Nov. 12	Harold D. Churchill (Niles)	age 61
Nov. 13	Leonard A. Washburn	age 76
Nov. 17	Jeannette Hasley	age 73
Nov. 22	Ethel Alice Perkins	age 80
1959		
Jan. 10	Frank H. Packard	age 91
Jan. 11	Eliza A. Townsend	age 92
Jan. 11	Hazel Faustina Bickford	age 58
Jan. 15	Willis Dutton Whitten	age 62

ASSESSORS RETURN OF DOGS

To the Clerk of Sidney, of all dogs six months old or over, owned or kept by inhabitants of Sidney.

Males	104	
Spayed Females	42	
Females	22	
Total		168

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF DOGS

NUMBER OF DOGS LICENSED

Males	97	
Spayed Females	41	
Females	17	
Kennels One		
Number Females included	2	
Number Males included	2	
Total Licensed		159
Reported Dead		
Males	1	
Females	2	
Spayed Females	1	
Reported Lost		
Males	1	
Females	1	
Moves Away	1	
Males	1	
Paid in Augusta		
Males	2	
Total		9
Totals		168

One Spayed Female Licensed in September under six months of age.

Paid to the Commissioner of Agriculture	$	257.30

Respectfully submitted,

LEOLA J. GRAVES

Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

January 31, 1959

1958 COMMITMENT

Commitment		$53,308.66
Paid Treasurer	$52,346.41	
Abatements, itemized below	93.36	
Discount	357.63	
Uncollected, itemized below	436.48	
Tax Club payments before February 1, 1958	74.78	
		$53,308.66

ABATEMENTS

Wm. Bois, Jr., in Armed Services	$ 3.00	
George Cloutier, paid in Augusta	3.00	
George Mendall, error in assessment	3.12	
Mrs. John Towne, veteran's widow	37.70	
Alfred King, disabled veteran	46.54	
		$ 93.36

UNCOLLECTED

	Poll	Personal	Real Estate	Total
Barrows, Freeman	$ 3.00	$ 1.82	$	$ 4.82
Bickford, Thomas	3.00			3.00
Bickford, Gary	3.00			3.00
Chubbuck, Howard	3.00			3.00
Cloutier, George		2.60	95.68	98.28
Merrill, Henry	3.00	1.82		4.82
Michaud, Azilda Heirs			3.90	3.90
Morrill, Richard	3.00			3.00
Rogers, Varnum	3.00	3.90		6.90

Betit, Lionel & Marion*			46.02	46.02
Blethen, Gladys*			23.92	23.92
Brash, Sarah*			7.28	7.28
Clukey, Rita			78.52	78.52
Drouin, Alfred			97.50	97.50
Fowler, Clarence			1.04	1.04
Gotreau, Emile S.			2.60	2.60
Hallowell, George Heirs			10.40	10.40
Haskell, Stella			34.32	34.32
Hodgdon, Chas. & Rita			1.82	1.82
Vellieux, Lorenzo			2.34	2.34
	$21.00	$10.14	$405.34	$436.48

1958 SUPPLEMENT

Commitment, July 7, 1958		$ 95.95
Commitment, July 19, 1958		94.90
Commitment, January 24, 1959		26.50
Paid Treasurer	$ 121.40	
Uncollected, itemized below	95.95	
	$ 217.35	$ 217.35

UNCOLLECTED (SUPPLEMENT)

1958 Henry Thibeau*	$ 23.40	
1957 Henry Thibeau*	25.30	
1956 Henry Thibeau*	21.60	
1955 Henry Thibeau*	25.65	
		$ 95.95

1957 TAXES

Balance due 1/31/58		$ 1,135.57
Liens recorded 2/24/58	$ 757.49	
Paid Treasurer	375.38	
Abatements (Harold Bulger)	2.70	
	$ 1,135.57	$ 1,135.57

*Paid since books closed.

LIENS RECORDED FEBRUARY 24, 1958

Allen, Bernard	$ 102.60	
Benway, & Palmer	6.75	
Clukey, Rita	81.54	
Drouin, Alfred H.	101.25	
Ellis, Luther	21.60	
Haskell, Stella	35.64	
Hodgdon, Charles & Rita	1.89	
Hughes, Theo	16.20	
Jacques, Raymond	39.69	
Landry, Mary	17.01	
Lane, Melvin	17.55	
Lizotte, Alfred	74.25	
Keene, Arthur	44.55	
Michaud, A. Heirs	4.05	
McLellan, Woodrow	55.76	
Pooler, Alice	9.18	
Swift, Ella	86.94	
Whitten, Willis	10.80	
Winslow, Holly	30.24	
		$ 757.49

EXCISE TAXES

1958 Receipts 76-500 inclusive	$ 4,567.97	
1958 Receipts A4151-A4173 inclusive	123.11	
1959 Receipts 1-75 inclusive	857.06	
Paid Treasurer		$ 5,548.14
	$ 5,548.14	$ 5,548.14

PREPAID TAXES

Tax Club payments	$ 61.00
Paid Treasurer	$ 61.00

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE L. HAMMOND

Collector

CHANGES IN REAL ESTATE VALUATION MADE IN 1958

Resident	1957 Valuation	1958 Valuation
Bacon, Henry F.	$ 4,870.00	$ 5,180.00
Bacon, Henry F.	600.00	660.00
Bailey, Dean	13,475.00	14,230.00
Ballard, Ralph	5,580.00	6,020.00
Barr, Vernon	5,300.00	5,510.00
Bean, Lora & William	1,760.00	1,740.00
Bean, Lora & William	150.00	1,160.00
Benson, Harold & Ella	3,690.00	4,390.00
Benson, Jessamine	2,870.00	2,750.00
Blaisdell, Mildred	100.00	50.00
Bois, William	6,240.00	6,460.00
Bragg, Wendell	7,480.00	7,730.00
Cameron, Vinal	2,940.00	2,790.00
Cloutier, George	2,070.00	3,680.00
Drake, Waldo	4,740.00	5,050.00
Drummond, Horace	10,800.00	12,130.00
Ernst, John	55,890.00	72,790.00
Farrell, Robert & Leola	360.00	730.00
Furman, Victoria	11,640.00	13,640.00
Goff, Edward & Bernadette	2,200.00	2,720.00
Goff, Lendall	3,610.00	4,000.00
Isbister, Dorothy	4,060.00	4,280.00
Johnson, Lewis	2,990.00	3,140.00
Keller, Linwood & Lorraine	1,930.00	3,870.00
LaJoie, Raymond	4,160.00	4,310.00
Larrabee, Karl & Glendora	2,030.00	1,780.00
McKinnon, Daniel & Goldie	4,510.00	4,640.00
Nielsen, Carl	7,870.00	7,810.00
Partridge, Chester & Freda	4,130.00	4,500.00
Philbrick, D. K.	4,610.00	4,490.00
Philbrick, Roland	1,280.00	1,780.00

Potter, George & Olive	5,120.00	5,330.00
Sawlivich, George	6,660.00	10,940.00
Sherrard, George	10,720.00	10,940.00
Smith, Charles W.	3,220.00	3,870.00
Taylor, Albert S.	12,420,00	12,730.00
Thompson, Fred & Harriet	2,130.00	2,700.00
Tilton, Harvey	6,420.00	6,190.00
Townsend, Eliza & Hamlin, Lottie	3,140.00	2,450.00
Webber, Alton & Lulie	530.00	1,090.00
Wood, Robert	1,090.00	1,410.00
Woodward, Guy W.	1,100.00	1,590.00
Wright, Roger & Lora	100.00	400.00
Non-Resident		
Bickford, Harry E.	1,750.00	2,140.00
Johnson, Arthur & Ruby	200.00	1,000.00
Leonard, Arthur	70.00	710.00
Lyons, Dorothy & Robert	1,300.00	2,090.00
McFadden, William & Juliette	260.00	1,300.00
Preston, Maria Shaw	1,680.00	690.00
Rodrigue, Charles & Dora	6,240.00	14,220.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 31, 1959

Balance on hand February 1, 1958	$ 6,737.33
Add: Cash Receipts (itemized below)	119,041.46
Total available	$125,778.79
Subtract:	
Selectmen's Warrants Nos. 1 to 36 inclusive	117,281.64
Balance on hand January 31, 1959	$ 8,497.15

RECEIPTS ITEMIZED

Name	Source		Totals
Tax Collector	From State	Other Sources	
1958 Commitment		$52,346.41	
1958 Supplement		121.40	
1957 Taxes		375.38	
1959 Prepaid Taxes		61.00	
1958 Excise		4,691.08	
1959 Excise		857.06	
			$ 58,452.33
Liens:			
1956		179.93	
1957		459.95	
Overpayment a/c 1956		4.08	
			643.96
Tax Acquired Property:			
1954 Account		40.05	
			40.05
General Government:			
Bank Stock	$ 124.04		
R. R. and Tel. Tax	15.00		
Porcupine Bounty Reimbursement	6.00		
Licenses	12.00		
Blueberries		35.00	
Sale of Town owned property		1,595.00	
Hambleton Ins. Agency, refunds		161.71	
Eastern States Exchange		5.16	

Interest and Costs		218.98	
Sidney Grange, repairs		8.50	
	$ 157.04	$ 2,024.35	$ 2,181.39
Highways:			
Winter	$ 3,580.20		
State Aid	5,543.20		
TRIF	5,537.61		
			$ 14,661.01
Trust Funds:			
Depositors Trust Co.		25.00	
Augusta Savings Bank		9.00	
			34.00
Education:			
School Fund	$18,310.00		
F. A. Owen Pub. Co.		3.57	
Pawtucket Mut. Ins.		21.49	
P. T. C.		133.00	
Lakeshore Fire Dept.		5.00	
Sidney Teachers		5.00	
Tuition (Dr. Ervin)		74.00	
Tuition (Michard)	104.21		
	$18,414.21	$ 242.06	$ 18,656.27
Interest on School Loan:			
J. E. Totman		100.00	100.00
Temporary Loans:			
Depositors Trust Co.		15,000.00	15,000.00
Highway Loans:			
Depositors Trust Co. (culverts)		1,000.00	
Depositors Trust Co. (State Aid Con.)		7,675.00	
Charities:			
City of Augusta		$ 73.92	
Town of Lincoln		117.66	
Town of Readfield		39.96	
State of Maine	$ 117.96		
Foahd Saliem, reimbursement		150.00	
City of Waterville, checks		97.95	
			597.45
	$ 117.96	$ 479.49	$119,041.46

RECEIPTS ON TAX LIENS

Clukey, Rita	$ 81.54	$ 81.54	
Corey, George	27.60		$ 27.60
Drouin, Alfred	90.00		90.00
Ellis, Luther	21.60	21.60	
Haskell, Stella	31.68		31.68
Hughes, Theo.	26.33	16.20	10.13
Jacques, Raymond	39.69	39.69	
Keene, Arthur	44.55	44.55	
Lizotte, Alfred	74.25	74.25	
McLellan, Woodrow	55.76	55.76	
Pooler, Alice	17.34	9.18	8.16
Swift, Ella	86.94	86.94	
Winslow, Holly	30.24	30.24	
Woodward, Arnold	12.36		12.36
	$ 639.88	$ 459.95	$ 179.93

DETAIL OF TAX LIENS

January 31, 1959

	Total	1957
Allen, Bernard	$ 102.60	$ 102.60
Benway & Palmer	6.75	6.75
Drouin, Alfred	101.25	101.25
Haskell, Stella	35.64	35.64
Hodgdon, Chas. & Rita	1.89	1.89
Landry, Mary	17.01	17.01
Lane, Melvin	17.55	17.55
Michaud, A. Heirs	4.05	4.05
Whitten, Willis	10.80	10.80
		$ 297.54

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNT

Value of tax liens, Jan. 31, 1958	$ 218.33	
Add:		
Liens recorded Feb. 24, 1958	757.49	
		$ 975.82
Subtract:		
Receipts a/c 1956	$ 179.93	
Receipts a/c 1957	459.95	

Transferred to Tax Acquired Property 9/1/59	38.40	
		678.28
Value of tax liens, Jan. 31, 1959		$ 297.54

RECEIPTS ON TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY

	Total	1954
Pooler, Alice	$ 40.05	$ 40.05

DETAIL OF TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY

	Total	1956	1955	1954	1953	1952	1951	1950	1949	1948
Arsenault, Arthur	$67.50					$21.30	$23.40	$22.80		
Bolduc, Leo	68.40						23.40	22.80	22.20	
Benway, Mrs. C.	7.80						7.80			
Benway & Palmer	28.75	6.00	6.75	8.90	7.10					
Crockett, Gertrude	3.20			1.78	1.42					
Dexter, Keith	9.00					2.84	3.12	3.04		
Godbout, Willie	121.88							41.80	40.70	39.38
Hodgdon, Chas. & Rita	1.68	1.68								
Landry, Mary	59.71	15.12	15.66	28.93						
Lane, Melvin	66.45	15.60	10.80	40.05						
Lane, Melvin	24.00			13.35	10.65					
McLaughlin, James	46.20				14.91	14.91	16.38			
Whitten, Willis	16.20		16.20							
	$520.77	$38.40	$49.41	$93.01	$34.08	$39.05	$74.10	$90.44	$62.90	$39.38

SUMMARY OF TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY

Value of tax acquired property 1/31/58	$ 522.42
Add:	
Expired liens transferred 9/1/59	38.40
	$ 560.82
Subtract:	
Receipts	40.05
	$ 520.77

TRUST FUNDS

Cemetery or Lot:	Balance 2/1/58	Interest Earned	Interest Withdrawn	Total
Barnard, Albert T.	$ 175.82	$ 5.29	$ 3.00	$ 178.11
Barton	217.02	6.00		223.02
Bowman	104.95	3.15		108.10
Bragg	114.71	3.45		118.16
Drummond, A. M.	388.13	11.71		399.84
Drummond	282.28	7.80	10.00	280.08
Friends	99.51	2.98	3.00	99.49
Hammond	164.66	4.96	3.00	166.62
Reynold's Hill	469.19	12.97	6.00	476.16
Shaw, M.	161.19	4.44	3.00	162.63
Sibley	324.24	8.97	3.00	330.21
Taylor	300.39	8.30		308.69
Tolman	102.39	2.81	3.00	102.20
Woodward	200.93	5.53		206.46
School:				
Bacon's Corner	1,417.20	39.22		1,456.42

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE L. HAMMOND

Treasurer

AUDITOR'S REPORT

February 18, 1959

Board of Selectmen
Town of Sidney, Maine
Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request, I have examined the records of the Town of Sidney for the year ended January 31, 1959. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and supporting schedules present fairly the financial position of the Town of Sidney at January 31, 1959 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Very truly yours,

HAROLD L. JONES

LIST OF SCHEDULES

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G — Statement of Public Debt

COMMENTS

The General Revenue Surplus increase of $412.54 reflects a credit of $1,920.00 resulting from sale of town and tax acquired property. Credits from sale of real estate in excess of book value are to be credited directly to Surplus rather than credited to a department operation account.

Accounts Receivable of $325.00 reflects the amount due on sale of real estate.

An inventory of town real estate and equipment should be taken as soon as possible. This should be recorded on the town records and changes recorded as they occur. This will provide future town officers with a record of property to be accounted for.

The town records are accurate and in good order. I recommend that the selectmen's books be kept on a complete double entry system throughout the year. A trial balance should be taken and balanced each month.

Schedule A

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS

For the Years Ended January 31, 1959 & 1958

ASSETS

	January 31, 1959	January 31, 1958
GENERAL REVENUE FUND		
Cash (Schedule B)	$ 8,497.15	$ 6,737.33
Taxes Receivable	532.43	1,135.57
Accounts Receivable	325.00	
Tax Liens	297.54	218.33
Tax Acquired Property	520.77	522.42
Total Assets General Revenue Fund	$10,172.89	$ 8,613.65
TRUST FUNDS (Note A)		
Savings Accounts (Schedule C)	$ 4,616.19	$ 4,522.61
DEBT FUND		
Notes		
Highway Debt Fund		
Culverts	$ 1,000.00	
State Aid Construction	7,675.00	7,675.00
School Construction	45,000.00	48,000.00
Total Debt Fund	53,675.00	55,675.00
Totals	$68,464.08	$68,811.26

Note A—

The Trust Fund Account does not reflect 100 shares of Summers Fertilizer Company stock which was donated by James Totman. This gift was accepted at the March 1958 town meeting. Subsequent to the acceptance, dividends amounting to $100.00 have been received.

The stock certificate is not yet in the possession of the town so it could not be verified.

The stock could be sold for approximately $4,000 on the open market based on current quotes. However, this stock is not listed on the national exchanges and the company is controlled by Mr. Totman. A market quote does not necessarily reflect the true value of a stock in a closely held corporation.

Schedule A

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS

For the Years Ended January 31, 1959 & 1958

LIABILITIES & SURPLUS

	January 31, 1959	January 31, 1958
GENERAL REVENUE FUND		
Reserve for Unexpended Balances (Schedule D)	$ 2,247.39	$ 1,086.91
Surplus (Schedule E)	7,864.50	7,451.96
Advance Payment on Taxes	61.00	74.78
Total Reserve, Liabilities & Surplus	$10,172.89	$ 8,613.65
TRUST FUNDS		
Cemetery Trust Funds	$ 3,159.77	$ 3,105.41
School Trust Funds	1,456.42	1,417.20
Total Trust Funds	$ 4,616.19	$ 4,522.61
DEBT FUND		
Notes Payable	$53,675.00	$55,675.00
Totals	$68,464.08	$68,811.26

Schedule C

CEMETERY AND SCHOOL TRUST FUNDS

Year Ended January 31, 1959

	Balance of Fund February 1, 1958	Interest Received	Withdrawals	Balance of Fund January 31, 1959
CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS				
Albert Drummond	$ 388.13	$ 11.71		$ 399.84
Bowman Cemetery	104.95	3.15		108.10
Hartson M. Bragg	114.71	3.45		118.16
Albert G. Barnard	175.82	5.29	$ 3.00	178.11
Friends Cemetery	99.51	2.98	3.00	99.49
Carlos Hammond	164.66	4.96	3.00	166.62
Reynolds Hill	469.19	12.97	6.00	476.16
Mary Shaw	161.19	4.44	3.00	162.63
Sibley Lot	324.24	8.97	3.00	330.21
Taylor Lot	300.39	8.30		308.69
Tolman Lot	102.39	2.81	3.00	102.20
Briah L. Woodward	200.93	5.53		206.46
Drummond Cemetery Fence	282.28	7.80	10.00	280.08
Barton	217.02	6.00		223.02
Total Cemetery Trust Funds	$3,105.41	$ 88.36	$34.00	$3,159.77
SCHOOL TRUST FUND				
Bacon's Corner Store	$1,417.20	$ 39.22		$1,456.42
Total Trust Funds	$4,522.61	$127.58	$34.00	$4,616.19

Schedule E

SCHEDULE OF GENERAL REVENUE SURPLUS

For the Year Ended January 31, 1959

Balance at February 1, 1958		$ 7,451.96
Additions		
Departmental Balances		
Unexpended	$ 4,193.41	
Overdrawn	1,618.22	
		2,575.19
Sale of Town Property		1,920.00
1958 Supplemental Taxes		217.35
		12,164.50
Deductions		
Appropriations—Administration	500.00	
—Winter Highways	2,000.00	
—Culverts	1,800.00	
		4,300.00
Balance at January 31, 1959		$ 7,864.50

Schedule D

STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

Year Ended January 31, 1959

	Balance Carried Forward	Appropriations	Appropriated (1) From Excise Tax (2) Surplus	Receipts	Total Available	Expenditures	Transfers	Lapsed to Surplus: Over Expended	Lapsed to Surplus: Under Expended	Balance Carried Forward
General Government										
Administration	$	$ 4,500.00	$(2)500.00	$ 586.39	$ 5,586.39	$ 6,079.72	$	$ 493.33	$	$
Protection										
Fire Department			(1)900.00		900.00	900.00				
Civil Defense		50.00			50.00	36.89			13.11	
		50.00	(1)900.00		950.00	936.89			13.11	
Health & Sanitation										
Public Health Nurse		100.00			100.00	100.00				
Highways and Bridges										
Highway & Bridges		3,000.00			3,000.00	2,901.62			98.38	
Winter Highways	74.99	4,000.00	(2)2,000.00	3,580.20	9,655.19	9,506.40				148.79
State Aid Construction	(558.39)	2,132.00		5,543.20	7,116.81	7,673.33		556.52		
Road Planning			(1)2,000.00		2,000.00	1,977.53			22.47	
Calcium Chloride		500.00			500.00	488.98			11.02	
Town Road Improvement	(113.80)			5,537.61	5,423.81	5,538.49		114.68		

Culverts—Drummond & Town Farm Roads			(2)1,800.00	1,000.00	2,800.00	2,743.69			56.31	
	(597.20)	9,632.00	5,800.00	15,661.01	30,495.81	30,830.04		671.20	188.18	148.79
Charities										
Town Poor		3,000.00		479.49	3,479.49	2,495.52			983.97	
Aid to Dependent Children		1,000.00			1,000.00	824.28			175.72	
State Poor				117.96	117.96	117.96				
		4,000.00		597.45	4,597.45	3,437.76			1,159.69	
Education										
Common School Fund	1,406.55	28,274.00		18,656.27	48,336.82	46,343.92				1,992.90
School Repairs	7.70				7.70	2.00				5.70
School Building Fund	269.86				269.86	269.86				
Seats and Desks		200.00			200.00	195.74			4.26	
Grading School Grounds			(1)300.00		300.00	290.63			9.37	
School Construction Note		4,685.00		100.00	4,785.00	4,685.00				100.00
	1,684.11	33,159.00	300.00	18,756.27	53,899.38	51,787.15			13.63	2,098.60
Unclassified										
Memorial Day		25.00			25.00	23.00			2.00	
Town Fair		100.00			100.00	100.00				
Overlay		468.66			468.66				468.66	
County Tax		1,274.00			1,274.00	1,274.00				
Cemeteries				34.00	34.00	34.00				
Abatements							96.06	96.06		
Discounts							357.63	357.63		
Excise Taxes				5,548.14	5,548.14		3,200.00		2,348.14	
		1,867.66		5,582.14	7,449.80	1,431.00	3,653.69	453.69	2,818.80	
Grand Total	$1,086.91	$53,308.66	$7,500.00	$41,183.26	$103,078.83	$94,602.56	$3,653.69	$1,618.22	$4,193.41	$2,247.39

TOWN OF SIDNEY

WARRANT FOR 1959 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

To W. W. Cowan, Constable of Sidney, County of Kennebec

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Sidney qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on Saturday, the seventh day of March, A. D. 1959 at one o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

Section 1

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said Town Meeting.

Art. 2. To choose by ballot the following Town officers for the ensuing year in accordance with Section 38 to 52 of Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, thereto, to wit: Town Clerk, Three Selectmen who will serve as Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Road Commissioner and one member of the School Committee to serve for three years. The polls or ballot box for receiving ballots for the above mentioned officers will be opened at one o'clock in the afternoon and will close at 5:00 P. M.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans within the 1959 taxable year in anticipation of taxes for the purpose of paying obligations of the town; such loan or loans to be paid during said taxable year.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow on the credit of the town, a sum sufficient to cover the running expenses of the town in the interim between the annual Town Meeting and April 1, 1959.

Art. 5. To determine if the Town will authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to assign tax lien mortgages, assigned only by the unanimous approval of the Selectmen, for the amount of tax, interest and costs due.

Art. 7. To determine if the Town will vote to set date when taxes for 1959 shall be due and payable.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount on taxes for 1959, fix date and amount of discount.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to transfer monies received for excise taxes to Surplus Account at the end of the 1959 municipal year.

Art. 10. To choose a Fire Ward.

Section 2

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate a sum of Money for Memorial Day.

(Budget Committee recommends $25.00)

Art. 12. To see if the Town will raise or appropriate the sum of one hundred eighty dollars for public health nursing

in Sidney, said sum to be expended by the Maine Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Health, for local service.

(Budget Committee no recommendation)

Art. 13. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate to defray the expenses of Town Administration.

(Budget Committee recommends $4500 — Transfer $500 from surplus)

Art. 14. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for Aid to Dependent Children.

(Budget Committee recommends $1000)

Art. 15. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for support of poor.

(Budget Committee recommends $2000)

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to carry liability insurance on town employees.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to carry Workmens Compensation Insurance.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate the sum of fifty dollars to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 95, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

(Budget Committee — no recommendation)

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate the sum of $400.00 to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service

and Federal Government in the control of white pine blister rust in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 22, Section 54.

(Budget Committee — no recommendation)

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for carrying on a Dutch Elm Disease prevention program as recommended by the Maine Forest Service for the purpose of protecting elm shade trees.

(Budget Committee — no recommendation)

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer from excise tax funds to be divided equally among the three fire departments. This money to be used for maintenance and equipment.

(Budget Committee recommends $900)

Art. 22. To determine rates of pay for the following Town Officers: Town Clerk (present rate $150.00 per year), Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, Road Commissioner (present rate $1.50 per hour) Constables (present rate $1.50 per hour).

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense, this money to be available to Town Civil Defense Director.

(Budget Committee recommends $50.00)

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer from surplus funds 15 cents per capita of population of Sidney to be used for Civil Defense in cases of emergency. Emergency as pertaining to this article to include only civil or international wars, storms, floods or disease epidemics.

Section 3—Highways

Art. 25. To determine what sum the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for State Aid Construction (in addition to amount regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under provisions of Sections 44, 49, or 50, Chapter 23, R.S., 1954, as amended.

(Budget Committee recommends $2,132.00)

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to raise in behalf of said Town, the sum of seven thousand, six hundred seventy-five dollars ($7,675.00) and to give the note or notes of the Town for said amount for the purpose of paying or refunding in whole or in part the outstanding indebtedness incurred for State Aid Highway Construction which now has or may hereafter become due, said Town having the legal right to raise money for such purpose, said amount not to be included among any loans which may be procured in anticipation of taxes for the current municipal year.

(Budget Committee recommends $7675.00)

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate to cut and spray brush along Town ways.

(Budget Committee recommends $200)

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate to pay on loan authorized at a special Town Meeting held Sept. 29, 1958, to purchase culverts for the Drummond and Town Farm Roads.

(Budget Committee recommends $1000 from cash on hand)

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate a sum of money to be spent under the direction of the Road Planning Committee, or take other action thereon.

(Budget Committee recommends $2,000 from excise)

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate a sum of money to be used for calcium chloride for the highways.

(Budget Committee recommends $500.00)

Art. 31. To choose one member of the Road Planning Committee for 1959. Present members: Eldon Dyer, term expires 1960; Leslie Lathe, term expires 1959; William W. Cowan, term expires 1961; Andrew Clark, term expires 1963; Carl Nielsen, term expires 1962.

Art. 32. (a) To see how much money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for Highways and Bridge account.

(Budget Committee recommends $2000.00)

(b) To determine how much of this sum shall be reserved for emergency repairs.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for snow removal or winter highway account.

(Budget Committee recommends $4100 — Take $2000 from cash on hand).

Art. 34. To see if the Town will vote to close that portion of the Dinsmore Road from the Goff Road west to the Middle Road, for snow removal. (By request).

Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to petition the County Commissioners to discontinue that portion of the Eight Rod Road between Dana Normand's residence south to property of Carol Meader.

Art. 36. To see if the Town will vote to build in the future, a piece of road starting at the west end of the Lyons Road

and running westerly to the east end of the Bartlett road. (By request).

Art. 37. To see if the Town will vote to petition the State to accept the Lyons Road, "Lyons Road Extension" and Bartlett Road as State Aid Road, when the Middle Road is completed. (By request).

Section 4

Art. 38. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for the common school fund.

(Budget Committee recommends $34,300)

Art. 39. To see how much money the town will vote to raise or appropriate for the maintenance of School Building including the purchase of equipment.

(Budget Committee recommends $620.00)

Art. 40 To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate the sum of $4,365.00 to pay the note and interest on the James H. Bean School Building.

(Budget Committee recommends $4,365.00)

Art. 41. To see if the Town will recommend to the Selectmen the publishing of a list of paid and unpaid taxes in the 1960 Town Report.

Art. 42. To choose a collector of taxes.

Art. 43. To choose a budget committee.

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate a sum of money to grade the grounds at the James H. Bean School.

(Budget Committee recommends $300 from excise tax)

Art. 45. To see if the Town will accept the sum of $100.00 to hold in trust, the interest to be used to care for the Geo. P. and Geo. M. Ellis lot in the Reynolds Hill Cemetery.

Art. 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate $2000 to purchase the Clifton Tilton farm and establish a town forest under a long term program. (By request).

(Budget Committee recommends $2,000.00)

Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to accept and enact the zoning ordinances as prepared by the town planning board.

Art. 48. To see if the Town will give Roland Philbrick permission to move the former Bacon's Corner School house from its present location to another lot for the purpose of remodeling it into a one-family dwelling. (By request)

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at their office for the purpose of correcting the list of voters at 12 o'clock noon on the day of said meeting. Hereof fail not to make due return of the Warrant with your doings thereon with the Clerk of said Town on or before the time of said meeting.

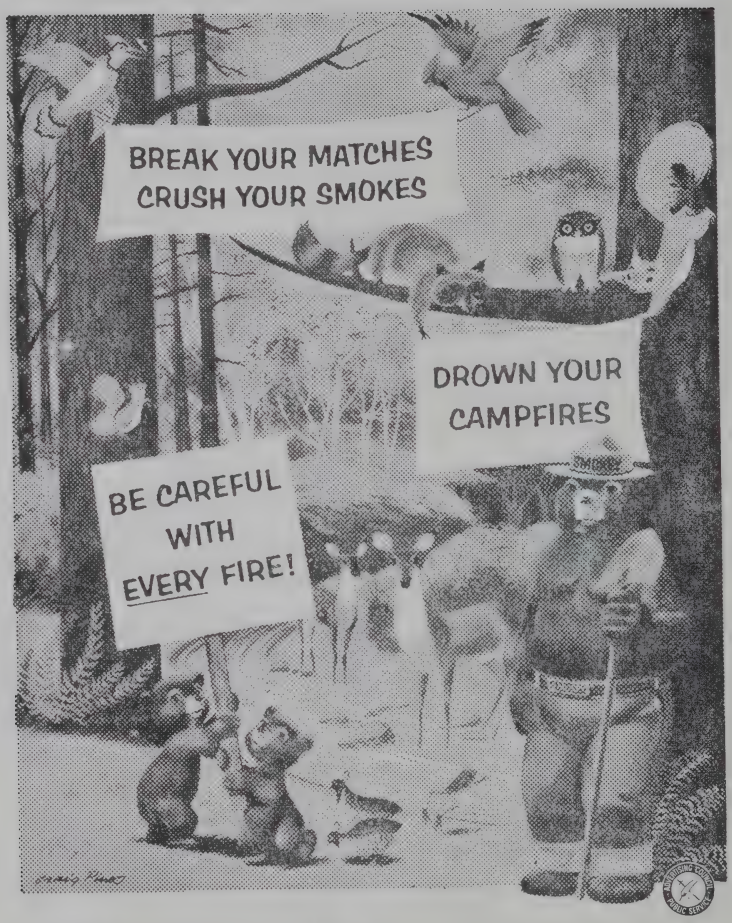
Given under our hands this 23rd day of February, 1959.

HENRY F. BACON

THEODORE H. RUSSELL

GEORGE E. POTTER

Selectmen of Sidney



"The responsibility is yours and mine to Keep Maine Green in '59"

Fanny Farmer's (Fudge)

1C sugar } Boil 4 minutes
1/3C milk }

put into

1/2C marshmallow fluff

1/2C peanut butter

Mix together quickly & pour into buttered pans.